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Aiming for a Goal of 100 Cyclists to Pedal in Delaware Legislators Bicycle Ride *Annual Event is a Kick Off for Bicycle Month*

Dover – The Department of Transportation's (DelDOT) Delaware Bicycle Council is hoping 100 cycling enthusiasts will participate in this year's Delaware Legislators Bicycle Ride from Newark to Dover on May 14.

The cyclists will begin their journey at 7 a.m. at Polly Drummond Hill Shopping Center in Newark. Riders will continue on to several "pit stops" including the intersection of Main St. and Broad Ave. in Middletown at 9:30 a.m. and then the intersection of Clayton Ave. and Main St. in Clayton at 10:45 a.m. The pit stops will provide the opportunity for riders to catch their breath and for more riders to join the group. Northbound riders can start at the Riverwalk parking lot on Union Street in Milton at 7:30 a.m. The final destination is Legislative Mall in Dover at noon, where there will be a presentation, water, snacks, and demonstrations.



The message at this year's event is air quality awareness. Bicycling is one of the most environmentally friendly modes of transportation. The Air Quality Partnership is teaming up with the Delaware Bicycle Council to make the Delaware Legislators Ride their kick-off event. The Air Quality Partnership is a coalition of state agencies and private businesses that raise awareness and educate Delawareans about how to improve air quality and citizen health.

No registration is needed! Just show up with your bicycle and helmet and get set to ride. The event is rain or shine.

Again this year, "sag" service will be provided on the route to Dover for those experiencing mechanical problems. Return transportation from Dover to Polly Drummond Hill Shopping Center can be provided for approximately 30 riders on the Biking Blue Hens Bus. To reserve a spot on the return bus or organize your own starting point, contact Anthony Aglio at 302-760-2509 or Anthony.Aglio@state.de.us.

For more information, visit DelDOT's Web site at www.deldot.gov.

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